1	2	3	4
3.	Chhattisgarh	06-07, 08-09	2.74
4.	Delhi	06-07, 07-08 & 08-09	16.32
5.	Gujarat	06-07	0.36
6.	Karnataka	06-07, 07-08 & 08-09	4.51
7.	Madhya Pradesh	07-08	24.97
8.	Maharashtra	06-07 & 07-08	29.45
9.	Meghalaya	06-07 & 07-08	0.00341
10.	Orissa	06-07	2.50
11.	Sikkim	06-07	0.00914
12.	Uttar Pradesh	06-07	3.96
13.	Uttarakhand	06-07 & 07-08	0.16
14.	West Bengal	06-07	5.00
	TOTAL		100.48

India's ranking in global Hunger Index

598. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the current survey of FAO on Global Hunger Index, India ranks 66th among 88 countries;

(b) whether the Arjun Sengupta Commission on unorganized workers estimated that 77 per cent of India's population spends less than Rs. 20.00 per head a day and the huge slashes in APL quota allocations by Government deprived this huge section of the benefit of controlled prices; and

(c) whether the food subsidies in India, despite its large mal-nourished population, works out to only 1.32 per cent of the GDP?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. However, this ranking accorded to India is in the Global Hunger Index Report of International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in its October, 2008 issue (not FAO).

(b) Yes, Sir. The Arjun Sengupta Commission on unorganized workers in its report has mentioned that the end of 2004-05, about 836 million or 77 per cent of the population was living below Rs. 20 per day. They constituted most of India's informal economy.

Allocations of foodgrains for the Above Poverty Line (APL) families are made depending upon their availability in the Central Pool. In view of constraints on availability of wheat & rice in the Central Pool due to lower procurement during 2005-06 and 2006-07 than overall demands from States/UTs,

their allocations for APL category to States/UTs were rationalized from June, 2006 and April, 2007 based on Offtake during earlier years. However, following higher procurement of wheat and rice during 2008-09, additional allocations have been issued to States & UTs. Also, for increasing availability in the market, about 24 lakh tons of wheat have been allocated under Open Market Sale Scheme.

(c) Amount of food subsidy released by the Government of India to Food Corporation of India (FCI) and States during last five years is given below:-

Year	Total subsidy released to FCI (Rs. in crore)
2004-05	25746.454
2005-06	23071.000
2006-07	23827.590
2007-08	31259.684
2008-09 (upto 31.01.09)	40414.690

From these details, it is clear that the amount of food subsidy has been continuously increasing.

Super Bazar

599. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the present position of the fate of Super Bazar, Delhi after its winding up and submission of evaluation report to the Hon'ble Supreme Court; and

(b) the details of payment made/to be made to shareholders of Super Bazar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) The Super Bazar has reported that a Special Leave Petition No. 8398/2005 was filed by the employees union in the Supreme Court challenging the order for winding up of Super Bazar. After hearing of the case, the court constituted an Evaluation Committee of three officials and directed to invite bids from intending bidders to revive Super Bazar. The bids thus received were evaluated by the Committee constituted by the Court. The Evaluation Report was submitted in Supreme Court on 05.11.2008. Its outcome is awaited.

(b) No payment has been made to any shareholder of Super Bazar till date.

Adulteration of coconut oil

600. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether adulteration of coconut oil by blending it with cheaper edible oils is once again in vogue as the price gap between the two variety of oil have widened over the last few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and